



## Year 4 Homework Letter - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025

### Our Learning This Week

#### English

In English, the children have continued studying the story 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. We started the week by summarising key events which had occurred in the story so far and then predicted what we thought might happen next in the text. The children went on to explore the imagery used by the author to describe the Iron Man and the setting and discussed the impact this has on the reader. We also used multi-clause sentences to write a descriptive menu of metal-based foods for the Iron Man to consume! The children thought about how an author builds suspense through their writing and wrote log entries as an astronomer to tell of the discovery of the space dragon.

#### Maths

This week, we have started our new topic on Money, the children were introduced to decimal notation, for example £4.25. We then explored the use of pounds and pence notation and developed our understanding that the digits following the decimal point represent part of a pound. Next, we progressed onto converting between pounds and pence. The children used the fact that £1 = 100p to compare amounts of money and the children began comparing amounts represented in the same format, for example 4,562p and 3,750p or £45.62 and £37.50, and made their choices based on their knowledge of place value. We then moved onto using our previous learning on estimating to estimate with money and how to round amounts to the nearest 10p to estimate totals or differences.

### Expressive Arts

Our current focussed artist is Nike Davies-Okundaye, a Nigerian Yoruba and adire textile designer. She is best known as an artist for her cloth work and embroidery pieces. Nike was born 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1951 in Ogidi, Kogi State, in North-Central Nigeria, and was brought up amidst the Yoruba traditional weaving and dyeing as practised in her home town. The children have been learning how to create adire patterns and have used them to draw and paint their own self-portraits.



### Homework

The English activities are to learn Summer 1 Week 2 spellings and to read for 15 minutes each evening. For Maths, the children must practise all of their times tables on Purple Mash.

### Dates for your Diary

07.05.25 - Wellbeing Wednesday (full PE kit to be worn to school).  
08.05.25 - Happy School Bag Collection  
09.05.25 - School Photographs - Groups  
19 to 23.05.25 - Sports and Activities Week  
02.06.25 INSET Day  
06.06.25 - PTFA Non-Uniform Day - Sweets for Summer Garden Party

Have a lovely weekend!

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